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Proposed Railroad Viaduct Moves Ahead at Hershey

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) is pleased to announce that the proposed railroad viaduct on Nebraska Highway Link 56-C (L-56C) in Hershey will be moving forward at a pace ahead of that announced at a public meeting held December 13, 2011.

At the public meeting, NDOR representatives indicated that this project would have to undergo additional reviews to satisfy requirements for use of Federal funds.

NDOR has recently decided to forego the use of Federal funds on this project and to proceed with the design and construction of the alignment located to the west of Hershey that had previously been presented to the public and approved by the Hershey Village Board.

As a part of the design process for this project, and after NDOR has determined the actual limits of construction and access locations, a public information meeting will be conducted to inform the public of the design and to gain the public's comment. NDOR anticipates this informational meeting will take place sometime this spring.

The construction of a pedestrian structure over the tracks and closure of the at-grade railroad crossings, located at Lincoln Ave. and Patterson Ave., continue to be features of the project.

A second public meeting will be scheduled this summer to discuss the final design and additional property rights needed to be acquired for the project.

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